EXECUTIVE OFFICE JANUARY 21, 1858.

Gentlemen of the Senate, and

House of Representatives:

I return herewith to the Senate, in which it originated

bill for the relief of Mary A. Collins.

I am informed by the Commissioner of the General Land Office that a certificate was issued to Mary Anthony, alias Mary Collins, on the 8th of February, 1853, in accordance with the provisions of an act, approved February 5, 1853.

With this information before me, and having no evidence in my possession of any other claim to relief of the party applying, I cannot give the act my approval, and therefore return it

for your reconsideration.

H. R. RUNNELS. Signed, On motion of Mr. Britton, the message and accompanying. papers were referred to the committee on Private Land

Claims.